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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

follows:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3-5 as follows.

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, change "any of the claims 1 to 3" to --claim 1/-.

Claim 5, line 1, change "any of the claims 1 to 4" to --claim 1--.

Please add the following new claims 6-16.

--6. A method as claimed in claim 2, characterised in that the process is paper manufacture and the object being monitored is the paper web running in the paper machine.